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Tagbanwa women and her seaweed. Seaweed farming is affected by rising temperature of seawater and severe typhoons. (SAMDHANA/Shane)

Addressing the intersection of Gender Equality, Poverty and Climate Change

PROJECT PROFILE 2023

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Samdhana Institute participates in the ICONIQ Impact Climate Equity Co-Lab to address needs where poverty, climate change impact and gender equality intersect. Through the contribution of ICONIQ, we are increasing support and resources for Indigenous Peoples and Local Communities (IPLCs) across Southeast Asia, to address poverty and climate change impacts, with the active involvement and leadership of women, youth, next generation leaders, and diffables (differently-abled persons).

The support, channeled through the ICONIQ project, and complemented through the other Samdhana programmes, aims to capacitate IPLC grassroots institutions and local civil society organizations (CSOs) to enable them to advance gender equity and inclusion, and lead in community innovations to address poverty and impacts of climate change.

The support covers Philippines, Indonesia, and countries in the lower Mekong region, such as Laos, Cambodia, Thailand, Vietnam and Myanmar.

Project Milestones from Year 1 to 3:

- 1 Indigenous Peoples and Local communities (IPLCs) prepare community to advance tenure recognition
- 2 Indigenous and local women leaders and emerging young leaders in the region develop their capacity to facilitate resiliency planning where women groups provide capacity development support to other IPLC groups across the region to advance IPLC rights, Gender Equality, Disability and Social Inclusion and climate resilience
- 3 Community market hubs promote non timber forest products and other community products; to sustain exchange and selling of community products
- 4 Scope the policy environment and begin stakeholders' engagement on the development of loss and damages mechanisms for communities at international or global level; capacity development for negotiations to broaden support to advance advocacy for a loss and damage mechanism as the third pillar of climate change in addition to climate mitigation and adaptation, piloting of a Loss and Damage funding facility for climate impact and negotiations for securing license by the IP corporation or renewable energy business development.
- 5 Seamless processing of grantmaking and reporting within Samdhana that will increase more reach of grantsmaking to IPLCs with flexible grants and support their proposal development and reporting requirements and improved niche for flexible and direct grantsmaking to IPLCs
- 6 Baseline awareness of IPLC issues developed that will increase public awareness campaigns in two countries (Philippines and Indonesia) that have started based on communications strategies piloted resulting into a more effective communications based on country strategy and youth based communications network are developed.
- 7 Developed concept of a Program for the Community Learning and Exchange Center (CLEC) developed, focusing on next generation leaders, promoting gender equality and climate resilience.

Implementation partners:

For the project implementation, partners are local community/ indigenous peoples organizations, local or sub-regional organizations, research and policy development organizations, and IPLC networks

Project period

April 2022 to April 2025

Donor Partner

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